

so that we can, in fact, proceed through the year without worrying about special sessions and increased taxes, I would appreciate...I appreciate, again, what happened just recently, but also respectfully suggest that now would not be an appropriate time to discuss this kind of very comprehensive...this comprehensive suggestion. I do have the numbers. I'd also have amendments that would have provided the lesser of the agencies that could not afford to take that hit as compared to the larger ones that might be able to, although it affects everybody equally across the board and in proportion to the amount of General Funds that they have. So it's something for us to think about, and there is time for us to talk about it, but I would, at this point in time, withdraw that amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is by Senator Coordsen, Schellpeper, Vrtiska, and Dierks found on page 1436 of the Journal. (See AM4052.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Coordsen. Senator Coordsen, we are going to wait a second, is that what we are going to do?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Coordsen, Schellpeper, Vrtiska, and Dierks would move to amend with an amendment found on page 1436 of the Journal.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. As I think we are all aware, last week on the work on LB 991, there were amounts added to the General Fund use side that are not sustainable without a tax increase going into the future. There were a number of members of the body at that time that were hassling about what they might do and talking about removing or filing an amendment to remove or modify some of the amendments that have been added. I have no particular interest either for or against any of the proposed amendments but I felt that each and every one of these amendments did, in fact, contribute to the problem, and that an amendment ought to be proposed that treated each of the floor amendment that created General File or General Fund tax expenditures equitably one with another. That is the background on AM4052. What AM4252 (sic)